

Supervisor Romaine Encourages Residents to Help the Environment and Participate in the First Annual "Car Free Day" Long Island

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Farmingville, NY - Supervisor Ed Romaine has announced that the Town of Brookhaven is joining other municipalities, businesses, environmental and civic organizations in support of the 1st Annual Car Free Day Long Island. The international event, which will be held on Friday, September 20, is a way to encourage drivers to help reduce traffic, conserve energy and protect the environment by keeping their car keys at home and using mass transit, bicycles, carpools, walking or telecommuting. Car Free Day will be celebrated in more than 1500 cities in 40 countries around the world. Those who pledge to be car free can win prizes, including bikes and Simon Amex Gift Cards.

"By leaving the car at home altogether or using it less for one day, we can reduce energy consumption and have a positive impact on the environment," said Supervisor Romaine. "I hope that our residents will make an effort to join their neighbors and take part in helping to make Brookhaven Town a greener place to live."

Supervisor Romaine also said that in the upcoming weeks, the Town will announce plans to establish a "Carpool Challenge" for Brookhaven Town employees that will start this November and run through January 2014.

To learn more about the 1st Annual Car Free Day Long Island or to pledge, go to www.carfreedayli.com or call 516-242-8121.

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